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ACOUSTIC WAVE IDENTIFICATION DEVICE

October 14, 2003

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the application as follows: